

MINUTES PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, November 4, 2008 6:00 p.m. 2 Civic Cente Plaza, 10th Floor Conference Room

Members Present	Members Absent	Staff Present
Henry Stokes, Chair	Rudy Troncoso	Nanette Smejkal, Director
David Turner, Vice Chair	Maria Trunk	Joel McKnight, Assistant Director
Francoise Feliberti	Ruben Robles	Judy Weiss, Assistant Director
William Medrano	Carl Pataky	Paula Powell, Sports Manager
Bill Sparks	Brian Wickstrom	Wright Stanton, Sports Manager
Matthew Carroll	Fred Shuford	Nick Ferriola, Aquatics Manager
Michael Armstead		Stacy Wright, Aquatics Program
Ralph Cloud	<u>Vacancies</u>	Supervisor
Hector Munoz	Two	Lucy Calderon, Recording Secretary
Trinidad Munoz		

Late Arrivals/Early Departures: David Turner arrived at 6:10 p.m.

1. **Meeting called to order** by Henry Stokes, Chair at 6:00 p.m.

James Tolbert

- 2. Motion to approve the November 4, 2008 Agenda with item #7-B tabled as per Bill Sparks made by Trinidad Munoz; seconded by Matthew Carroll; all in favor; motion passed unanimously
- 3. Motion to approve minutes for October 7, 2008 as written made by Trinidad Munoz; seconded by Matthew Carroll; all in favor; motion passed unanimously
- 4. Parks and Recreation Staff Announcements and Recognitions:

New board members recognized and welcomed.

- 5. **Petitions and Communications from the Public:** Geraldine Hayes, President of the Castner Heights Neighborhood Association stated that her neighborhood is very unhappy with people coming from across the border to play soccer and leave litter behind at Todd Ware Park. Goal posts are staked to the ground which are not allowed at the Park.
- 6. **Discussion and Action:** Appeal of a 1-year suspension from City Parks and Recreation Facilities as recommended by the Grievance Committee for Incident Occurring at an Aquatic Center with Yolanda Valdez. Motion to reduce the suspension from 1-year to 5-months beginning July 7, 2008 through December 31, 2008 made by Trinidad Munoz; seconded by Matthew Carroll; all in favor; Motion passed with 9-Ayes Trinidad Munoz, James Tolbert, Matthew Carroll, Michael Armstead, Bill Sparks, Ralph Cloud, Francoise Feliberti, Hector Munoz, and David Turner 1-Nay William Medrano 1-Abstention Henry Stokes

7. **Discussion and Information:** Development of Policy Recommendation for Park Restrooms (Joel McKnight) Public Comments: Geraldine Hayes with Castner Heights Neighborhood Association is opposed to any type of restrooms at Todd Ware Park; Charlie Wakeem, President of Coronado Neighborhood Association would like the shelter restrooms opened to the public; Judith Rice with Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association is opposed to portable toilets and has no suggestions for permanent buildings at this time; Hilda Hernandez and Puring Quimbao with Sherman Park Association would like to see free standing restrooms: Ad Hoc Committee was developed to meet during December November Staff will return with a draft policy in December.

8. Subcommittee Reports:

- a. **Discussion and Information**: Open Space Committee Update by Shamori Whitt. Power Point presentation given.
- b. **Discussion and Action**: Governance Ad Hoc Committee recommendations for Board Goals and Objectives (Bill Sparks) **Item Tabled.**
- 9. Discussion and Action: The following appointments were made to Subcommittees

PARK NAMING (7)	GRIEVANCE (9)	OPEN SPACE ADVISORY (3+8)
Matthew Carroll	Ruben Robles	Maria Trunk
Michael Armstead	David Turner	Carl Pataky
James Tolbert	Ralph Cloud	Trinidad Munoz
Vacant	Hector Munoz	Charlie Wakeem
Vacant	James Tolbert	Oscar Mestas
Vacant	Henry Stokes	Justin Chapman
Vacant	Francoise Feliberti	Rick Bonar
	William Medrano	Judy Ackerman
	Vacant	Mike Rosson
		Theron Nicholson
		Lois Balin
		Kevin Von Finger